



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application No. : 10/621,152  
Applicant : Alfred Thomas  
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Title : Method And Apparatus For Changing An Appearance Of  
Mechanical Devices Displayed On A Gaming Machine

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Examiner : Robert J. Mendoza

Docket No. : 47079-00219USPT  
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## **AMENDMENT "A"**

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated July 13, 2004. The shortened statutory period for response is three months from the mailing date, i.e., by October 13, 2004. Please enter the following amendments and remarks into the record for this application.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.